

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

21. (Currently amended) A teleconferencing system

for conducting a teleconference

among a plurality of participants comprising:

(a) a plurality of video display devices each having associated

(i) participant video capture capabilities, and

(ii) participant audio

(1) capture and

(2) reproduction capabilities; and

(b) at least one communication path

(i) along which signals

(1) representing participant audio and video

(ii) can be transmitted,

~~wherein the system is configured to~~

~~(a-c) a graphical rolodex displayed on a participant's video display device~~

~~(i) a first and a second directory each and including a scrollable listing of entries of potential video-enabled potential participants; in which and~~

~~(1) the first directory is viewable by all potential video enabled participants~~

~~(2)~~

~~(d) a quick dial list, the second directory is listing icons representing potential video-enabled potential participants copied made by copying fewer than all entries from the first directory and is viewable by a single participant graphical rolodex,~~

- (i) —~~on at least one video display device; and~~
wherein the system is configured to
(a) to allow an initiating participant to initiate collaboration
(i) initiate collaboration by upon a selecting at least one participant listed in at least one of the graphical rolodex and quick dial list, and
(ii) automatically establishing one of a plurality of communication types,
(1) with a selected participant,
(2) upon a communication type being selected or by default when the participant is selected.

thereby to define the teleconference.

22. (Currently amended) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the quick dial list includes

- (a) —~~the second participant directory includes at least one of the group consisting of~~
(i) displayed icons and text
(3) representing the potential participants.

23. (Previously presented) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein

- (a) a selecting participant can
(i) select
(1) at least one of the participants and
(2) at least one of a displayed set of additional communication types;
and

wherein the system is further configured to

- (i) establish communication
(1) of the selected type
(2) with a selected participant.

24. (Currently amended) The teleconferencing system of claim 213, wherein

- (a) the set of additional communication types includes at least one of:

(i) data conferencing, videoconferencing, telephone conferencing, real-time text, sending faxes, sending electronic mail, and the sending of multimedia mail messages.

25. (Cancelled) The teleconferencing system of claim 23, wherein

- (a) the selecting participant can use
 - (i) at least one computer graphic user interface
 - (ii) to select
 - (1) at least one of the participant(s) and/or
 - (2) at least one of the communication types.

26. (Currently amended) The teleconferencing system of claim 23, wherein the system

- (a) defaults
 - (i) to the a-default communication type
 - (ii) upon selection of double clicking on another participant's listing.

27. (Currently amended) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured to allow a participant:

- (a) to select
 - (i) a further participant
 - (ii) from the video-enabled potential teleconference participants and
- (b) add
 - (i) the new participant
 - (ii) to the teleconference.

28. (Previously presented) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured to:

- (a) allow
 - (i) at least one participant
 - (ii) access
 - (1) to at least one audio and/or video signal source; and

(b) reproduce

(i) audio and video

(1) based on signals

(2) from the accessed signal source

(ii) for another participant.

29. (Currently amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured so that

(a) a selecting participant ~~ease can~~

(i) select

(1) at least one of the video-enabled potential participants

(2) using a hot key.

30. (Currently amended) A method for conducting a teleconference among a plurality of participants, each having

an associated video capture and display and

audio capture and reproduction capabilities,

the method comprising the steps of:

(a) displaying a graphical rolodex on a participant's video display device and

~~(i) a first and a second directory each including a scrollable listing of entries of potential video-enabled potential participants; in which~~

~~(1) the first directory is viewable by all potential video enabled participants;~~

~~(2)~~

~~(b) displaying a quick dial list on the participant's video display device and listing icons representing video-enabled potential participants copied the second directory is the second directory is made by copying fewer than all entries from the first directory and is viewable by a single participant graphical rolodex,~~

~~(b) (c) allowing an initiating participant to initiate collaboration by selecting~~

- (+) at least one or more participants listed in at least one of the graphical rolodex and quick dial list; and
 - (i) from among a plurality of the displayed potential participants; and
 - (e) (d) automatically establishing one of a plurality of communication types
 - (i) with a selected participant upon a communication type being selected or by default when the participant is selected.
 - (ii) to define the teleconference.

31. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30, wherein the quick dial list includes
- (a) the second participant directory includes at least one of the group consisting of
 - (+) displayed icons and texts
 - (1) representing potential participants.
32. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) selecting
 - (i) one or more desired participants
 - (ii) from the ~~first directory~~ graphical rolodex; and
 - (b) selecting
 - (i) one or more desired participants;
 - (ii) from the ~~second directory~~ quick-dial list; and
 - (c) establishing communication
 - (i) with all selected participants.
33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) selecting a communication type,
 - (i) from a displayed set of additional communication types; and
 - (b) establishing communication
 - (i) of the selected type,
 - (ii) with each selected participant(s).
34. (Currently amended) The method of claim 33, wherein

- (a) the set of additional communication types includes at least one of:
 - (i) data conferencing, videoconferencing, telephone conferencing, real-time text, sending faxes, sending electronic mail and sending multimedia mail messages.

35. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 33, wherein

- (a) the step of selecting
 - (i) one or more participants
 - (ii) invokes a default communication type
 - (iii) upon double clicking on another participant's listing.

36. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:

- (a) selecting
 - (i) a new participant
 - (ii) from among a plurality of video enabled potential teleconferencee participants; and
- (b) adding
 - (i) the new participant
 - (ii) to the teleconference.

37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:

- (a) detecting,
 - (i) during a first teleconference
 - (1) between a first and a second participant,
 - (ii) an attempt
 - (1) by a third caller
 - (2) to initiate a second teleconference
 - (3) with the second participant;
- (b) notifying
 - (i) the second participant
 - (ii) of the attempt; and

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- (c) allowing the second participant
 - (i) to add
 - (ii) the third caller
 - (iii) to the first teleconference.

38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:

- (a) allowing at least one participant
 - (i) access to at least one audio and/or video signal source, and
- (b) reproducing video and/or audio
 - (i) based on signals,
 - (ii) from the accessed signal source;
 - (iii) for another participant.

39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the step of:

- (a) allowing a participant
 - (i) in an existing teleconference with
 - (1) a plurality of other participants
 - (ii) to place on hold
 - (iii) at least one of the other participants.

40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the step of:

- (a) allowing a participant
 - (i) in an existing teleconference with
 - (1) a plurality of other participants
 - (ii) to disconnect
 - (iii) at least one of the other participants.

41. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:

- (a) selecting a video-enabled potential participant
 - (i) by using a hot key.

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42. (Currently amended) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein entries are copied to the second directory the quick dial list is made by dragging entries from the first directory graphical rolodex into the second directory quick dial list.
43. (Currently amended) The method of claim 30, wherein entries are copied to the second directory quick dial list is made by dragging entries from the first directory graphical rolodex into the second directory quick dial list.